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SUBJECT: WARNING UAE OF VISIT BY KOMID REPRESENTATIVE

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Classified by Charge d'Affaires Martin Quinn, Reasons 1.4 (b,d).

(S) On July 29, POLCHIEF and TDY ECONOFF met with MFA Director for European, American, and Oceanic Affairs Ali Al Zarouni to deliver reftel nonpaper regarding attempts by North Korea's primary weapons trading firm, Korean Mining Development Corporation (KOMID), to acquire a visa for one of its representatives to travel to the United Arab Emirates. POLCHIEF explained this individual's association with KOMID's assistance to Iran's missile program, and noted that his travel to the UAE could pose proliferation risks. Zarouni took the urgency of the matter on board and promised to pass the information to appropriate UAE officials.

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